

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

Method of redirecting a request for a web service in a data transmission network ~~such as the Internet~~ wherein, in response to a request forwarded by a host (10) of a client to a web service provider, ~~this one~~ the web service provider provides a Web Service Definition Language (WSDL) file based upon a message exchange protocol such as Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP) on a transport protocol such as HTTP. This method ~~being comprises~~ includes the steps of forwarding a first request from the client to an old address of said web service (12), responding to the client from the web service point associated with the old address by sending back a message with a header, wherein the header using said message exchange protocol contains ~~[[the]]~~ a redirection to a new address ~~redirection~~ of the requested web service (14), and forwarding a second request from the client to the new address of the web service.

Fig. 1